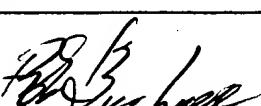


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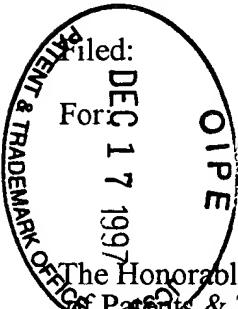
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RESPONSE

The Honorable Commissioner
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Sir:

In response to the Office action (Paper No. 4), mailed 17 September 1997, applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, the species E shown in Figures 8A-8G, inclusive among other features. Applicant notes that the Examiner has made no showing of either independence or distinctness, both of which are prerequisites for an election of species. Moreover, the Examiner has not alleged that there is any undue burden on the Examiner in conducting the examination.

All pending claims are directed to the elected species, among other species disclosed.

Applicant notes that the instant application indicates both a three month period for response and a thirty day period for response, it was initially docketed for 17 December 1997. In the event that this response was set for thirty, as opposed to the shorten statutory period of three months, applicant has included a petition for a two month extension of time and the incurred fee. In the event that the action was actually set for the three month shorten statutory period, rather than the thirty day